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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request acceptance of color photographs in the above-referenced application. The color photographs are necessary because the data presented in several of the Figures is not reproducible in black and white. In particular, the use of color photographs allows the presentation of data showing the coexpression of several different molecules in the same cell or tissue.

Applicants also request that the specification be amended as provided for in §1.84(a)(2)(iv). Thus, please insert the following paragraph beginning at page 6, line 15 following the heading “Brief Description of the Figures.”

--The patent or application file contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent or patent application publication with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.--

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This petition is accompanied by the fee set forth in §1.17(h) as well as three (3) sets of color photographs. A black and white photocopy is also included that depicts, to the extent possible, the subject matter shown in the color photographs.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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